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TO : Legal Staff

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FROM : Assistant Director for Reports and Estimates

SUBJECT: Request for postponement of jury duty for [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] has been summoned for jury duty at the Municipal Court, Civil Division, beginning 5 July 1950. To be released from this jury duty, [REDACTED] must present himself before Judge Scott of the Municipal Court at 0930 hours, 29 June.

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2. It is imperative that [REDACTED] be excused from this tour of jury duty. The recent events in Korea have necessitated a complete re-examination of all the "soft spots" which the USSR might attempt to probe. [REDACTED] is the senior analyst for Iranian Affairs and is ORE's best informed man on this area. Of all the countries bordering the USSR and its satellites, Iran is considered the weakest and perhaps the one most likely to be next on the USSR's agenda. The next few weeks are most critical, and all old data must be re-examined as well as every new bit of information carefully screened in an attempt to discover and assess the USSR's next move. This program necessitates [REDACTED] being on constant call.

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3. If in the next few months the general situation improves, [REDACTED] would be perfectly happy to perform any jury duty demanded of him.

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